GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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STATUS OF EZHIMALA NAVAL ACADEMY
T. GOVINDAN

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have any plan to complete the construction of Naval Academy at Ezhimala in Kerala well before its scheduled period in view of its importance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress of work and the expenditure incurred thereon so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Naval Academy Projectis planned to the executed over a period of eight years. The project implementation commenced after signing the consultancy agreement with the architect on 9th January 1998. The project has now been placed under fast track procedure so that it can be completed well before its scheduled date of completion.

(c) The work on the project has started in right earnest, and 30% of the pre-construction activities have been completed. Tendering action for trunk services and roads has been taken and construction work is expected to commence by early 2001. The expenditure incurred so far is:-

(i)	Payment to consultant	Rs.2.930 Crores
(ii)	On security and maintenance of site	Rs.4.630 Crores
	Total	Rs.7.566 Crores